

Vice-Presidency of the Regional Government

Decree n.º 624/2021 of March 31st of 2021

In the terms of the Regional Legislative Decree n.º 18/2019/A, of August 5th, it was created the Azorean Diaspora Council (CDA) as a consultative body of the Regional Government competent in the matters of emigration and Azorean communities, to ensure the participation, cooperation and auscultation of the Azoreans in the world, in the project of the Azorean development.

The CDA establishes in its constitution, according to paragraph d) of the number 1 of article 4º and article 5º of the aforementioned decree, councilors representing different geographic areas of the Azorean Diaspora, to be elected according to the electoral process determined by the Ordinance n.º 24/2021 of March 30th of 2021.

Therefore, and in the terms of paragraph e) of article 8º of the Regional Legislative Decree n.º 28/2020/A, of December 10th and the Ordinance n.º 24/2021 of March 30th, it is determined:

1. The deadline to submit a candidacy to Azorean Diaspora Councilor is from April 1st until 12 p.m. of April 10th of 2021.

2. The electoral commission elaborates the electoral list of each geographic area between April 11th to 14th of 2021, which is later validated by the member of the Regional Government competent in the matters of emigration and Azorean communities.

3. The public presentation of the valid candidacies begins on April 15th and ends at 11:59 p.m. of May 15th of 2021.

4. The voting begins on May 20th and ends at 11:59 p.m. of May 24th of 2021.

5. After the closure of the voting, the results are aggregated and validated by the electoral commission and then approved by the member of the Regional Government competent in the matters of emigration and Azorean communities.

6. In the event of tied votes in a geographic area, a second round of election will take place with the tied candidates from May 28th until 11:59 p.m. of May 30th of 2021.

7. The member of the Regional Government competent in the matters of emigration and Azorean communities is responsible to clarify any subsequent information and doubts, by decree, as well as to analyze any appeal to the acts carried by the electoral commission.

8. The electoral commission is composed by:

Permanent elements:

Melanie Medeiros da Silva, Services Director of Emigration, Immigration and Returns, from Regional Directorate for the Communities, who will coordinate the work of the commission;

Davide Miguel Alcario Lopes, Coordinator of the Cabinet for Cultural Information, Exchange and Support of the Regional Directorate for the Communities, who will replace in the coordination of the works, in case of absence or impediments;

Luís Alberto Jorge Tomé, Coordinator of the Cabinet for Migrations Support;

Telma Margarida Pimentel Silva, Superior Technician of the Regional Directorate for the Communities; and

Rui Fernando Melo Cabo, informatics specialist of the Regional Directorate for the Communities.

Substitute elements:

Raquel Joana Lopes dos Santos Rodrigues, Superior Technician of the Regional Directorate for the Communities; and

Diana Maria Moitoso Faria Machado, Superior Technician of the Regional Directorate for the Communities.

March 30th of 2021. – The Vice-President of the Regional Government, *Artur Manuel Leal de Lima*.